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COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

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August 18, 2023

Mr. Christopher Krebs  
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Dear Mr. Krebs:

The Committee on the Judiciary is conducting oversight of how and to what extent the Executive Branch has coerced and colluded with companies and other intermediaries to censor speech.<sup>1</sup> We believe that you are uniquely positioned to aid the Committee's oversight, as you served as the director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), which, under your leadership, participated in efforts to unconstitutionally monitor and censor Americans' speech on social media platforms.<sup>2</sup> Accordingly, we request that you appear for a transcribed interview with Committee staff.

Pursuant to the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee on the Judiciary has jurisdiction to conduct oversight of matters concerning "civil liberties" to inform potential legislative reforms.<sup>3</sup> In addition, H. Res. 12 authorized the Committee's Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government to investigate "issues related to the violation of the civil liberties of citizens of the United States."<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See Ryan Tracy, *Facebook Bowed to White House Pressure, Removed Covid Posts*, WALL ST. J. (July 28, 2023); Rep. Jim Jordan (@Jim\_Jordan), TWITTER (July 27, 2023, 12:03 PM), [https://twitter.com/Jim\\_Jordan/status/1684595375875760128](https://twitter.com/Jim_Jordan/status/1684595375875760128).

<sup>2</sup> See generally STAFF OF SELECT SUBCOMM. ON THE WEAPONIZATION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF THE H. COMM. ON THE JUDICIARY, 118TH CONG., *THE WEAPONIZATION OF CISA: HOW A "CYBERSECURITY" AGENCY COLLUDED WITH BIG TECH AND "DISINFORMATION" PARTNERS TO CENSOR AMERICANS* (Comm. Print 2023).

<sup>3</sup> Rules of the House of Representatives R. X (2023).

<sup>4</sup> H. Res. 12 § 1(b)(1).

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To schedule your transcribed interview, please contact Committee staff at (202) 225-6906 as soon as possible, but no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 1, 2023. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jim Jordan". The signature is stylized with a large, looping "J" and "D".

Jim Jordan  
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Jerrold L. Nadler, Ranking Member